



Clean Energy Environment
STATE PARTNERSHIP



Clean Energy-Environment State Partnership Program

The Clean Energy-Environment State Partnership Program is a voluntary state-federal partnership that encourages states to develop and implement cost-effective clean energy and environmental strategies that help further both environmental and clean energy goals and achieve public health and economic benefits.

Under the Partnership Program, states work across their relevant agencies to develop and implement a comprehensive strategy for using existing and new energy policies and programs to promote energy efficiency, clean distributed generation, renewable energy and other clean energy sources that can provide air quality and other benefits.

What Do Partner States Do?

Partner States agree to work with EPA to develop and implement a state-specific Clean Energy-Environment State Action Plan and report annually on progress towards establishing and achieving one or more specific and robust clean energy-air quality goals, including state goals for cost-effective clean energy.

How Does EPA Help?

EPA provides access to a comprehensive package of planning, policy, technical, analytical, and information resources to help State Partners establish and implement sound Clean Energy-Environment State Action Plans. EPA's Clean Energy-Environment *Guide to Action* describes 16 clean energy policies and strategies that states have used to achieve cost-effective clean energy. EPA also documents and disseminates successful state clean energy policies and provides opportunities for training and peer exchange.

EPA estimates that if each state were to implement cost-effective clean energy-environment policies, the expected growth in demand for electricity could be cut in half by 2025, and more demand could be met through cleaner energy supply. This would mean annual savings of more than 900 billion kWh and \$70 billion in energy costs by 2025, while preventing the need for more than 300 power plants and the greenhouse gas emissions equivalent to those from 80 million of today's vehicles.¹

How Do States Benefit?

Partners benefit by receiving technical assistance from EPA toward the development of a cost-effective clean energy-environment strategy, learning from their peers about successful programs and policies at work in other states, identifying themselves as clean energy and environmental leaders, and receiving EPA recognition for the environmental benefits that result from their efforts.

Which States Have Joined?

Charter Partners currently include the following states:

California

- California Energy Commission
- California Public Utility Commission
- California Air Resources Board

¹ This estimate is based upon EPA analysis of independent evaluations of the potential for cost-effective energy efficiency investments to help meet the nation's growing demand for energy and electricity, including a 2004 meta-analysis that examined the results of 11 different studies that estimated the potential for energy efficiency in various states and regions in the country and for the U.S. as a whole.

Which States Have Joined? (continued)

Colorado

- Colorado Governor's Office of Energy Management and Conservation
- Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment

Connecticut

- Connecticut Clean Energy Fund
- Connecticut Public Utility Commission
- Connecticut Office of Policy and Management
- Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection

Georgia

- Georgia Environmental Facilities Authority, Division of Energy Resources
- Georgia Environmental Protection Division, Department of Natural Resources

Minnesota

- Minnesota Department of Commerce
- Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

New Jersey

- New Jersey Board of Public Utilities
- New Jersey Clean Energy Program

- New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection

New Mexico

- New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

New York

- New York State Energy Research and Development Authority

North Carolina

- North Carolina State Energy Office
- North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Division of Air Quality

Ohio

- Office of Energy Efficiency, Ohio Department of Development

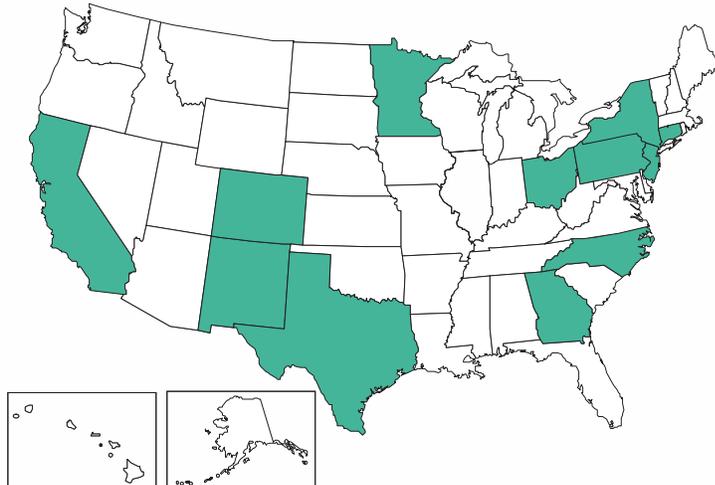
Pennsylvania

- Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection, Office of Energy and Technology Development

Texas

- State Energy Conservation Office
- Texas Energy Partnership

EPA Clean Energy-Environment State Partnership Partner States



How Do I Get More Information?

To learn more about the Clean Energy-Environment State Partnership, visit our Web site at www.epa.gov/cleanenergy/stateandlocal/ or contact Julie Rosenberg at (202) 343-9154 or rosenberg.julie@epa.gov.